Federal Acquisition Regulation

7.403 General Services Administration assistance.

- (a) When requested by an agency, the General Services Administration (GSA) will assist in lease or purchase decisions by providing information such as—
- (1) Pending price adjustments to Federal Supply Schedule contracts;
- (2) Recent or imminent technological developments;
 - (3) New techniques; and
 - (4) Industry or market trends.
- (b) Agencies may request information from the following GSA offices:
- (1) Center for Strategic IT Analysis (MKS), Washington, DC 20405, for information on acquisition of information technology.
- (2) Federal Supply Service, Office of Acquisition (FC), Washington, DC 20406, for information on other types of equipment.

[48 FR 42124, Sept. 19, 1983, as amended at 54 FR 29280, July 11, 1989; 61 FR 41468, Aug. 8, 1996; 62 FR 40236, July 25, 1997]

7.404 Contract clause.

The contracting officer shall insert a clause substantially the same as the clause in 52.207–5, Option to Purchase Equipment, in solicitations and contracts involving a lease with option to purchase.

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Subpart 7.5—Inherently Governmental Functions

Source: 61 FR 2628, Jan. 26, 1996, unless otherwise noted.

7.500 Scope of subpart.

The purpose of this subpart is to prescribe policies and procedures to ensure that inherently governmental functions are not performed by contractors.

[61 FR 2628, Jan. 26, 1996, as amended at 71 FR 20300, Apr. 19, 2006]

7.501 [Reserved]

7.502 Applicability.

The requirements of this subpart apply to all contracts for services. This subpart does not apply to services obtained through either personnel ap-

pointments, advisory committees, or personal services contracts issued under statutory authority.

7.503 Policy.

- (a) Contracts shall not be used for the performance of inherently governmental functions.
- (b) Agency decisions which determine whether a function is or is not an inherently governmental function may be reviewed and modified by appropriate Office of Management and Budget officials.
- (c) The following is a list of examples of functions considered to be inherently governmental functions or which shall be treated as such. This list is not all inclusive:
- (1) The direct conduct of criminal investigations.
- (2) The control of prosecutions and performance of adjudicatory functions other than those relating to arbitration or other methods of alternative dispute resolution.
- (3) The command of military forces, especially the leadership of military personnel who are members of the combat, combat support, or combat service support role.
- (4) The conduct of foreign relations and the determination of foreign policy.
- (5) The determination of agency policy, such as determining the content and application of regulations, among other things.
- (6) The determination of Federal program priorities for budget requests.
- (7) The direction and control of Federal employees.
- (8) The direction and control of intelligence and counter-intelligence operations.
- (9) The selection or non-selection of individuals for Federal Government employment, including the interviewing of individuals for employment.
- (10) The approval of position descriptions and performance standards for Federal employees.
- (11) The determination of what Government property is to be disposed of and on what terms (although an agency